# Hongkong Telegraph

No. 362 TUESDAY, JANUARY 2, 1894. THIRTY DOLLARS PER ANNUM.


## Bank.

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

*AUTHORISED CAPITAL* ..... £2,000,000
*SUBSCRIBED* ..... £1,000,000

BANKERS.
LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LTD.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON FIXED DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS at the Rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the Daily Balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS—
For 12 Months..... 4 Per Cent.
" 6 " ..... 3 "
" 3 " ..... 2 "

JOHN BURN,
Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 4th February, 1893. [20

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

Authorised Capital ..... $2,000,000
Subscribed Capital ..... $ 500,000

HEAD OFFICE: HONGKONG.

Court of Directors.
D. Gillies, Esq. | Ng Shang, Esq.
Chan Kit Shan, Esq. | Not Chuen, Esq.
H. Stolterfoht, Esq.
Chief Manager.
GEO. W. F. BIR.

*Branches.*—London, Yokohama, Shanghai and Amoy.

*BANKERS.*
The Commercial Bank of India.
Parrs Banking Co., and Thee Bank (Ltd.)

Interest for 12 months 5 per Cent.

Hongkong, 16th November, 1893. [7

THE BANK OF CHILPAN, AND THE STRAITS LIMITED.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL ..... $2,000,000
CAPITAL PAID-UP ..... $1,093,150

*BANKERS.*
CAPITAL & COUNTIES, LIMITED.

*HEAD OFFICE.*
No. 3, PRINCE'S ST., LONDON.

*BRANCHES.*
BOMBAY, CALCUTTA, HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI.

*AGENCIES.*
PENANG, SINGAPORE, YOKOHAMA.

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED on CURRENT ACCOUNTS and Fixed Deposits may be ascertained on application.

Every description of Bank and Exchange business transacted.

CHANTINCHBALD,
Manager.

Hongkong, 6th November, 1893. [32

## Intimations.

THE HONGKONG-LEVEL TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE BUFFET and LADIES' WAITING ROOMS adjoining will be OPEN to the PUBLIC in a few days.

JOHN D. HUTEYS & SON,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 13th December, 1893. [42

PROFESSIONAL NOTICE.

I HAVE this day Removed my Hongkong DENTAL PRACTICE to

DENTON E. PRSON, D.D.S.
6, Queen's Road Central,
Hongkong, 27th December, 1893. [1408

NOTICE.

A YOUNG MAN is desirous of obtaining a SITUATION in a Commercial House as CORRESPONDENT ACCOUNTANT; GERMAN, FRENCH and ENGLISH spoken.

Address
ERNST,
c/o *Hongkong Telegraph* Office.

Hongkong, 27th December, 1893. [1407

THE PHARMACY,
*85, QUEEN'S ROAD.*

MESSRS. FLETCHER & Co. beg to inform the Residents of Hongkong and the Shipping Community that they have now OPENED at the above address. The Store is managed by a thoroughly competent Chemist who takes every care that all DRUGS and CHEMICALS used in the compounding of prescriptions are PURE and FRESH.

FLETCHER & Co. have on hand a good selection of Druggists' Sundries and Patent Medicines.

Telephone No. 74.

FLETCHER & Co.

Hongkong, 23rd September, 1893. [28

THOMAS' GRILL ROOMS,
*(Corner of Queen's Road and Caddell Street.)*

THE Undersigned has always thought that such a place as this is the one thing needed to fit in between HOME LIFE and the PRIVATE BOARDING HOUSE, providing it be first-class in every detail. Place where one may have his GRILLED CHOP or STEAK at any hour of the Day, up to 9 P.M., or later if notice be given. He is also prepared to SUPPLY MEALS to PRIVATE PARTIES to MENU or ORDER—the parties sending dishes, &c., for same—and such Scale on application.

Monthly Board for One Meal ..... $35.00
Tiffin ..... $15.00

AMERICAN FROZEN OYSTERS always on hand and served in every Style.

Breakfast ..... $0.50
Tiffin ..... $0.75
Dinner ..... $1.00

SPECIAL TIFFINS and DINNERS served in Excellent Style at short notice.

THOMAS,
Proprietor.

## Insurances.

THE STANDARD.

ENDOWMENT ASSURANCE.

1. AMONG THE MANY ADVANTAGES of this form of Assurance, the following may be mentioned:—
   *(a)*—It secures an immediate Provision for wife and family or other relatives in event of early death.
   *(b)*—It provides a Fund for Retirement.
   *(c)*—It supplies an excellent Investment for the regular accumulation of small fixed sums of money.
   *(d)*—The Surrender and Loan values are larger than under ordinary Policies.
2. AFTER THE POLICY HAS BEEN THREE YEARS IN FORCE—should the Policy-holder wish to discontinue future payments—he will be entitled to receive, on application, a FREE PAID-UP POLICY for a proportionate amount of the Sum Assured, as explained in the Prospectus.

Full particulars on application,

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents,
STANDARD LIFE OFFICE.

Hongkong, 8th August, 1893. [747

SOUTH BRITISH FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEW ZEALAND.

THE Undersigned are prepared to accept FIRE and MARINE INSURANCES on favourable terms.

Current rates, and a guaranteed Bonus equal to that paid by the local Offices.

S. J. DAVID & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 1st November, 1892. [415

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED ..... $1,000,000

The above Company is prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS, &c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world payable at any of its Agencies.

HEAD OFFICE,
No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.

Hongkong, 24th November, 1893. [173

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED.)

CAPITAL, TAELS 600,000 EQUAL TO ..... $833,333.33.
RESERVE FUND ..... $318,000.00.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
LEE SING, Esq. | LO YEUK MOON, Esq.
LOU TSO SHUN, Esq.

MANAGER.—HO AMEL.

MARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c., taken at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the World.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST.

Hongkong, 17th December, 1881. [974

## Intimations.




CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & Co.,

WINE and SPIRIT MERCHANTS,
HONGKONG, SHANGHAI, LONDON AND GLASGOW.

113, Queen's Road,
Hongkong, 24th August, 1893. [26

NOW IN THE PRESS!

TO BE PUBLISHED IN JUNE, 1894.

"THE DESTINY OF MAN,"

BY

CHESNEY DUNCAN,

(Author of "Cores and the Powers," "All is not Gold that Glitters," &c.)

*Being an analysis of all religious tenets, with deductions drawn from facts and observations and containing chapters on "And the World was" and "Man's Destiny."*

*N.B.*—This work will be produced simultaneously in England and the Far East, but as the Eastern edition will necessarily be much smaller than that published in England, orders for the same may be booked with the Author, c/o "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH," 7, Podder's Hill, Hongkong.

PRICE $3.50 PER COPY.

## Intimations.

DAWSON'S PERFECTION OLD SCOTCH WHISKY.

ALLISTON & CO., SOLE AGENTS, Hongkong and the Far East,
*62, Queen's Road Central.*

Hongkong, 11th December, 1893. [41

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

NEW STOCK OF SADDLERY.

RACING GEAR.
STABLE REQUISITES.

RACING SADDLES, WHIPS, BRIDLES, WEIGHT CLOTHS, SADDLE CLOTHS, ROLLERS, GIRTHS,
&c., &c., &c.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, 30th December, 1893. [30

KELLY & WALSH, LD.

*JUST RECEIVED,*

FRESH SUPPLIES
OF

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| CAPSTAN NAVY CUT TOBACCO | ½ lb. & ¼ lb. Tins. |
| WILLS' TRAVELLER BRAND TOBACCO | ½ lb. Tins. |
| PIONEER BRAND TOBACCO | ½ lb. Tins. |
| PAGODA BRAND TOBACCO | ½ lb. Tins. |
| OTTO DE ROSE CIGARETTES | Boxes of 100. |
| SWEET CAPORAL CIGARETTE | Boxes of 500. |
| KINNEY'S STRAIGHT CUT CIGARETTES | Boxes of 500. |

KELLY & WALSH, LIMITED,

Hongkong, 29th December, 1893. [6

THE HONGKONG HOTEL.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS, "Kremlin"—A. B. C. Code.—TELEPHONE, No. 32.

*PROPRIETORS*.....THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE HONGKONG HOTEL—the most commodious and best appointed Hotel in the Far East, affords unequalled accommodation to travelers and others. It is situated in the centre of the town, opposite the General Post Office and the Hongkong Club, adjacent to Pedder's Wharf (the principal landing stage of the Colony) and close proximity to the Banks and Shipping Offices.

The HOTEL STEAM Llaunch conveys passengers and baggage to and from all Mail Steamers.

THE TABLE D'HOTE, at separate tables, is supplied with every delicacy, the *cuisine* being under experienced supervision.

THE BED-ROOMS, with adjoining Bath-rooms, are lofty and well ventilated, open on to spacious Verandahs, are lighted by gas and fitted throughout with electric communicators.

The Reading, Writing and Smoking Rooms, Ladies' Drawing Rooms, the new Bar and public BILLIARD ROOMS (Six English and American Tables) are fitted with every convenience.

The WINES & SPIRITS are selected by an Expert and the BEST BRANDS only are supplied.

HYDRAULIC ASCENDING-ROOMS of the latest and most approved type convey passengers and baggage from the Entrance Hall to each of the five floors above.

*NIGHT PORTERS and WATCHMEN* are continually on duty.

R. TUCKER
Manager.

Hongkong, 17th November, 1892. [1c8

W. BREWER.

*HAS JUST OPENED*

A FINE Collection of New Fancy Goods in PLUSH, HAND-PAINTED SILK, RUSSIA and other fine Leather Goods.

Handsome Boxed American Christmas Cards. Aograph Christmas Cards very pretty & cheap.

TOM SMITH'S CRACKERS.

Great variety of Children's Books for Christmas. All the Annual Volumes for Boys and Girls.
Handsomely bound Books for presents. New Framed Pictures.

STYLOGRAPHIC PENS.

DANCING PUMPS, LADIES SHOES. TENNIS BATS, SHOES, BALLS.
New French Novels. Christmas Nos. of Graphic Illustrated,
"PEARS," "BLACK and WHITE," "QUEEN."

W. BREWER,
UNDER HONGKONG HOTEL,
*QUEEN'S ROAD.*

Hongkong, 12th December, 1893. [40

CENTRAL HOTEL, SHANGHAI.

*Electric Lighting throughout the Premises.*

Telegraphic Address:—"CENTRAL, SHANGHAI."

THIS long-established SELECT Family Hotel situated on the Bund, facing the river in the centre of the Settlements, *is now fitted* with the latest modern improvements, including Bath and Dressing Rooms ATTACHED to Suites and Single Rooms, with hot and cold water laid on, DOUCHE, SHOWER, SPRAYS, etc.; and heated a comfortable temperature during winter.

COMMODIOUS RECEPTION ROOM FOR VISITORS.

*SEPARATE ROOMS FOR PRIVATE DINNER PARTIES, &c.*

*An Assistant attends on Passengers by Mail Steamers.*

*N.B.*—Special reduced charges may be arranged for on application to the Manager.

F. E. REILLY,
*PROPRIETOR.*

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## Intimations.

STEAM-LAUNCH COMPANY, LIMITED, IN LIQUIDATION.

THE Property of this COMPANY, consisting of the STEAM-LAUNCHES:
"PERSEVERANCE,"
"PRUDENCE,"
"PROSPERITY,"
"PUNCTUALITY,"
"BONNIE,"

Is for SALE, and TENDERS are invited for the whole as a going concern, or for any part thereof.

PARTICULARS and SPECIFICATIONS will be supplied upon application.

ALL TENDERS, which have been forwarded to the UNDERSIGNED, will be opened TO-MORROW, January 3rd, 1894.

The LIQUIDATOR does not bind himself to accept the HIGHEST or ANY TENDER.

J. W. NOBLE,
Liquidator.

No. 2, Pedder's Street,
Hongkong, 22nd December, 1893. [1393

THE BALMORAL GOLD MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above-named COMPANY will be held at the Company's Office, No. 1, Duddell Street, at NOON, on SATURDAY, the 6th day of January, 1894 for the purpose of considering, and, if thought fit, passing the Resolutions following, namely:—

1.—That the Liquidator be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to Sell and Transfer the whole of this Company's business and property to a new Company, to be incorporated with limited liability under the Companies' Ordinances 1865 to 1891, and to be named the NEW BALMORAL GOLD MINING COMPANY, LIMITED, with a Capital of $150,000, divided into 50,000 Shares of $3 each, with the usual power to increase and reduce the same.
2.—That the Draft Contract for Sale submitted to this Meeting, and expressed to be made between this Company and its Liquidator of the one part, and the NEW BALMORAL GOLD MINING COMPANY, LIMITED, of the other part, be, and the same is hereby approved, and that the said Liquidator be, and he is hereby authorized, pursuant to Section 149 of the Companies' Ordinance, 1865, to enter into a Contract for the Sale and Transfer of this Company's business and property to the said New Company (when incorporated) for the considerations and upon the terms set forth in the said Draft, and to carry the same into effect with such (if any) modifications as he may think expedient.

Should the above Resolutions be passed by the requisite majority, they will be submitted for Confirmation as Special Resolutions to a Second Extraordinary General Meeting, which will be subsequently convened.

CARL GEORG,
Liquidator.

Hongkong, 22nd December, 1893. [1394

THE AUSTIN ARMS HOTEL AND BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above COMPANY will be held at the Registered Offices of the Company, 38 and 40, Queen's Road Central, on SATURDAY, the 6th day of January next, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1893.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 1st January to 8th January, both days inclusive.

By Order,
HART BUCK,
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 29th December, 1893. [44

THE PUNJOM MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the SECOND ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above COMPANY will be held at the Office of the Company, Connaught House, on FRIDAY, the 12th day of January, 1894, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts to 30th September, 1893, and for the election of Directors and Auditors.

By Orders,
A. O'D. GOURDIN,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 30th December, 1893. [45

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the KONINKLIJKE PAKETVAART MAATSCHAPPIJ, are prepared to grant, through Bills of Lading to Ports of Java, Sumatra (East and West Coast) Celebes, Timor, Sunda Islands, Dutch New Guinea, &c., &c. Bills of Lading for through Cargo from these Ports to be presented to the Undersigned for countersignature.

LAUTS, WEGENER & Co.

Hongkong, 25th November, 1893. [1289

EAST POINT DAIRY AND FARMING COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM the 16th instant and until further notice the PRICES for the COMPANY'S PRODUCE will be as follows:—

FRESH MILK..... 1 Imperial Pint Bottle, 6 Cents.
FRESH MILK..... Ordinary Pint Bottle, 8 Cents.
FRESH BUTTER.....Per Pat, 25 Cents.

SPECIAL TERMS for yearly or half-yearly contracts.

A. RUMJAHN,
Secretary & Manager.

51, Queen's Road,
Hongkong, 12th December, 1893. [1357

NGAI SHANG,
22, QUEEN'S ROAD EAST.

RATTAN FURNITURE of Every Description.
CHAIRS, COUCHES, TABLES, BASKETS, CHILDREN'S COTS, &c., &c.
Latest Patterns, Best Workmanship.
*Also*
Rattan Cane, Split Rattan, Canton Reed and Sundries of all kinds.

## Amusements.

THE HONGKONG AMATEUR DRAMATIC CLUB,

WILL GIVE PERFORMANCES OF THE COMIC OPERA

"PRINCESS TOTO,"

BY

GILBERT AND CLAY,

On the following dates:—
TO-MORROW
January 3rd, 6th, 9th and 13th, 1894.

Curtain to rise at 9 P.M. precisely each night.

Prices, $3, $2, $1.

Seats for any or all Performances can be booked at Messrs. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.'s on and after TUESDAY, the 19th December, from 10 A.M.

Books of the Words of the Songs, price 15 cents, at the Booking Office.

A late Tram will run a quarter of an hour after the fall of the Curtain, each night.

Hongkong, 30th December, 1893. [43

## Shipping.

STEAMERS.

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.
(Calling at MACAO, PORT DARWIN and QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.)

THE Steamship
"AIRLIE,"
Captain Ellis, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 3rd instant, at Daylight.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has large Cooling Chambers, thus ensuring a supply of Fresh Meat, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 2nd January, 1894. [1404

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI.

THE Company's Steamship
"FOKIEN,"
Captain Davis, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 3rd instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 2nd January, 1894 [1402

"WARRACK" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship
"LENNOX,"
Captain Ward, will be despatched for the above Ports on or about 4th January.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 20th December, 1893. [1232

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR LONDON AND HAMBURG.

THE Steamship
"GLAMORGANSHIRE,"
Captain Jackson, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 4th January.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 28th December, 1893. [1251

SAILING VESSELS.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE 100 A. 1. British Ship
"MACMILLAN,"
Guthrie, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
SHEWAN & Co.

Hongkong, 1st December, 1893. [37

FOR NEW YORK.

THE 100 A. 1. British Ship
"BANGALORE,"
Condon, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
SHEWAN & Co.

Hongkong, 5th December, 1893. [39

FOR NEW YORK.

THE 3/3 L. L. L. American Ship
"KENILWORTH,"
Baker, Master, now at Shanghai, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
SHEWAN & Co.

Hongkong, 5th December, 1893. [38

## Consignees.

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of CARGO per Steamship "BELGIC."

The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Steamer will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

H. S. VAN BUREN,
Agent.

## Intimations.

### DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & COMPANY, LIMITED.

VICTORIA DISPENSARY, HONGKONG.

CONFECTIONERY, &c.

WE have just received our New Stock of CONFECTIONERY and are offering the same at prices suitable for the present bad times:—

CHOCOLATE CREMES.
PATES D'APRICOT.
CHOCOLATE ALMONDS.
FANCY BOXES of SWEETS of various kinds from 2 Dollars to 25 Cents.
SUGARED ALMONDS.
BURNT ALMONDS.
MIXED SWEETS.
TOM SMITH'S CRACKERS.

CIGARETTE CASES, CIGAR CASES, CARD CASES.
In SILVER, ELECTRO, SNAKE SKIN, RUSSIAN LEATHER, &c.
CIGAR & CIGARETTE HOLDERS, PIPES.
Hongkong, 13th November, 1893. [36

### A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.



WE INVITE ATTENTION TO OUR STOCKS OF

CONFECTIONERY AND CHRISTMAS GOODS.

JORDAN ALMONDS, NOUGAT, BUTTER SCOTCH, ASSORTED TOFFEES, DRAGEES, PRALINES, and a large selection of PURE CONFECTIONERY from the leading Manufacturers.

CADBURY'S SPECIAL CHOCOLATE CREMES.

PINE, APRICOT, CHERRY, LIME, GUAVA, and other FRUIT JELLIES *in great variety.*

TOM SMITH'S CHRISTMAS CRACKERS.

COLOURED OPALS MOUNTED IN PLUSH, representing favourite subjects.

*A Large Assortment of* ENGLISH AND JAPANESE CHRISTMAS CARDS, of handsome and artistic designs, suitable to all tastes and at moderate prices.

A. S. WATSON & Co., LIMITED,
The Hongkong Dispensary.
ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.
Hongkong, 3rd November, 1893. [5


### NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS.

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ALL SUBSCRIPTIONS MUST BE PAID IN ADVANCE.

### BIRTHS.

At Shanghai, on the 23rd December, the wife of CHARLES DOWDALL, of a daughter.

On the 27th December, at Woodleigh, Bubbling Well Road, Shanghai, the wife of ARTHUR DALLAS, of a daughter.

### MARRIAGE.

On the 23rd December, 1893, at the Holy Trinity Cathedral, Shanghai, by the Rev. H. C. Hodges, M.A., HENRY KING HILLIER, eldest son of Henry M. Hillier, of Liverpool, to CHARLOTTE ELLEN, second daughter of the late David MENZIES, of Dumfries and Liverpool.

### DEATH.

On the 30th December, 1893, at Mount Kellett, JANET ALICE, the dearly loved wife of Smith Allston, aged 23 years.


# The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, JANUARY 2, 1894.


## TELEGRAMS.

### DEATH OF AN EMINENT EXPLORER.

LONDON, December 21st 1893.

Sir Samuel Baker, the famous African explorer, is dead.

[We are indebted to *Men of the Time* for the following sketch:—Sir Samuel White Baker, F.R.S., M.A., the eldest son of the late Mr. Samuel Baker, of Lyplatt Park, Gloucestershire, was born in London, June 8th, 1821, and was educated at a private school and in Germany. He married, in 1843, Henrietta, daughter of the Rev. Charles Martin. In 1847 he established an agricultural settlement and sanatorium at Newera Ellia, in the mountains of Ceylon, at an altitude of 6,200 feet above the sea level. At great personal cost he, together with his brother, conveyed emigrants from England, and the best breeds of cattle and sheep, to found the mountain colony. The impulse given by this adventure secured the assistance of the Colonial Office, and with the increasing prosperity of Ceylon, Newera Ellia has become a resort of considerable importance, the most recent development being the cultivation of the valuable cinchona plant. In 1854 Baker retired from Ceylon after eight years' residence, and at the death of his wife in 1855 he proceeded to the Crimea, and he was subsequently engaged in Turkey in the organization of the first railway. In 1861 he commenced an enterprise entirely at his own cost for the discovery of the Nile sources in the hope of meeting the Government expedition under the command of Captain Speke, who had started from Zanzibar with the same object. Having married, in 1860, Florence, daughter of M. Finnian von Sass, he was accompanied throughout this arduous journey by his wife. Leaving Cairo April 15th, 1861, he reached, on June 13th, the junction of the Atbara with the Nile. For nearly a year he explored the regions of Abyssinia whence comes the Blue Nile, and in June, 1862, descended to Khartoum, at the junction of the Blue and the White Nile. Here he organised a party of ninety-six persons to explore the course of the latter river. They set out in December, 1862, and reached Gondokoro in February, 1863. Here Baker had the good fortune to meet Captains Speke and Grant, who had succeeded in reaching the Lake Victoria N'yanza, which they believed to be the ultimate source of the Nile. Baker, having resolved to supplement their explorations, supplied them with the necessary vessels for the voyage to Khartoum, and started from Gondokoro by land, March 26th, 1863, without either interpreter or guide, in defiance of the opposition of the slave-hunters, who attempted to bar his progress. The route was first eastward, then nearly south, and afterwards turned towards the east. On March 14th, 1864, he came in sight of a great fresh-water lake, the "Mwootan N'zige," until then unknown, which he named the Albert N'yanza. After navigating the lake from N. lat. 1 deg. 14 min. to the exit of the Nile at 2 deg. 15 min., he set out on his homeward journey early in April, 1864, but owing to illness and the disturbed condition of the country he did not reach Gondokoro until March 23rd, 1865. The Royal Geographical Society now awarded to him its Victoria Gold Medal, and on his return to England in 1866 he was created M. A. of the University of Cambridge and received the honour of knighthood. In September, 1869, he undertook the command of an expedition to Central Africa under the auspices of the Khedive, who placed at his disposal a force of 1500 picked Egyptian troops, and intrusted him for four years with absolute and uncontrolled power of life and death. He undertook to subdue the African wilderness, and to annex it to the civilised world; to destroy the slave trade, and to establish regular commerce in its place; to open up to civilization those vast African lakes which are the equatorial reservoirs of the Nile; and to add the whole of the countries which border on that river to the kingdom of the Pharaohs. Sir Samuel, having first received from the Sultan the Order of the Medjidie and the rank of Pasha and Major-general, left Cairo with his party on December 2nd, 1869, Lady Baker, as in former journeys accompanying him. He returned in 1873 and reported the complete success of the expedition. Sir Samuel was the author of "The Rifle and the Hound in Ceylon," 1854; "Eight Years' Wanderings in Ceylon," 1885; "The Albert N'yanza, Great Basin of the Nile Sources," 2 vols. 1886, translated into French and German; "The Nile Tributaries of Abyssinia and the Sword Hunters of Hamram Arabs," 1867; "Cast up by the Sea," a Story, 1869, translated into French by Madame P. Fernand under the title of "L'Enfant du Naufrage;" "Ismailia: a Narrative of the Expedition to Central Africa for the Suppression of the slave Trade; arranged by Ismail, Khedive of Egypt," 2 vols., 1874. In 1879, shortly after the British occupation of Cyprus, he visited every portion of the island to thoroughly investigate its resources, the results of which journey he published in a volume entitled "Cyprus as I saw it in 1879." Thence he proceeded upon various researches through Syria, India, Japan, and America. Sir Samuel was a Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society of London, and an honorary member of the Geographical Societies of Paris, Berlin, Italy, and America. He has received the Grande Médaille d'Or of the Société de Géographie de Paris. He was a Deputy-Lieutenant of Gloucestershire, and J.P. of Devon; he had the Orders of the Grand Cordon of the Medjidieh, and the second and third classes, in addition to the second class of the Osmanie.]

### THE PARISH COUNCILS BILL.

It is believed that the Government has decided on a wholesale application of the 'closure' in order to expedite the passing through the House of Commons of the *Parish Councils Bill*.

### A TARDY RECOGNITION.

It is announced that the honour of knighthood has been conferred upon Mr. Fielding Clarke, Chief Justice of Hongkong.

### SPAIN AND MOROCCO.

MADRID, Dec. 18th.

Though the Melilla trouble has now subsided, Spanish troops are still operating in another part of Africa, on account of the rising of some tribes about the Rio del Oro.

A heavy freshet on the river has checked the advance of the Spanish troops, but desultory fighting is reported, and some of the natives have been killed. This is not considered important.

General Martinez Campos has stated to the Bey of Melilla that Spain does not wish for war, but must punish insults, if the Moorish authorities are not able to keep their subjects in order.

December 21st.

The Government has decided that if the Moorish Prince Muley Araaf, who is negotiating with Spain as to the Melilla affair, holds to his promises at the next interview with General Campos, all the reserves called out will be sent back next month, and most of the regular forces now in Africa will be withdrawn, only a few remaining to guarantee the fulfilment of the agreement.

December 25th.

Muley Araaf has withdrawn from the negotiations on the plea of ill health. On leaving Melilla he sent to General Campos a splendid Arab horse as a present. The General in reply stated that he would only accept it when the difficulty should be completely settled; otherwise he would return it to the donor.

It is reported by a spy that the natives are in great fear of Muley Araaf's successor, the Sultan's own son, who has a reputation for inhuman cruelty.

### ANARCHISTS IN EUROPE.

MADRID, December 20th.

A terrible explosion occurred last night at Bacarri's, in Austria, at the house of a lawyer named Wolff. A large number of houses in neighbourhood were totally wrecked, and the occupants seriously wounded.

The Barcelona police authorities have now full information of a vast anarchist organisation, which was connected with the outrages at the military review and at the Lyceum theatre. Several important arrests have been made, and a complete plant for making bombs has been seized in a cave among the hills, with forty infernal machines and a quantity of material.

### *LOSS OF THE OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY'S STEAMER "JASON."*

A despatch dated London 6th December says:—

Telegrams from New York give particulars of the wreck of the cargo steamer *Jason*, 2181 tons, owned by the Ocean Steamship Company, of Liverpool.

The vessel foundered near the entrance to Boston Harbour, and 26 of the crew were drowned. The life-line apparatus was used from the shore, but all attempts to throw lines over the vessel proved unsuccessful.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

H.M.S. *Archer* left for Singapore to-day.

ANOTHER good man gone wrong. Alack! alas!

AN early dissolution of the present Japanese Parliament is predicted.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Canton* left Bombay for this port on the 30th ulto.

OUT of the 79 foreigners residing in Hakodate, 35 are Chinese, 19 British, 11 French, 9 American and 5 Russian.

THE P. M. S. S. Co.'s steamer *City of Rio de Janeiro*, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port, *via* Yokohama, on the 30th ulto.

DR. O. H. Simons, late United States consul at this port, returned from Manila by the *Esmeralda* yesterday, and will leave for America in a few days.

TELEGRAMS from Hangchow announce the death at that port on the 27th inst., after a long illness, of Sung, Governor of the Province of Chekiang.

THE Agents (Messrs. D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.) inform us that the steamer *Arratoon Apcar* from Calcutta, left Singapore for this port at 2 p.m. on the 30th ulto.

THE Canadian Pacific Railway Co.'s royal mail steamer *Empress of Japan* arrived at Nagasaki at 8 a.m. yesterday, and left again at 4 p.m. for Vancouver, *via* Kobe and Yokohama.

AN Emergency meeting of Perseverance Lodge No. 1165, E.C., will be held in the Freemasons' Hall, Zetland Street, on Thursday, the 4th inst at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting brethren are cordially invited.

A VERNACULAR paper states that many of the foreign firms at Yokohama are making preparations for the export of Japanese cotton yarn to China, in which they intend to engage as soon as export duties are abolished. Some have already sent samples to China.

ON Saturday last, telegraphic information of the following promotions was received at the Naval headquarters in Hongkong:—to be post-captains—Comr. G. A. Callaghan, H.M.S. *Alacrity*; Comr. H. A. W. Onslow, H.M.S. *Impérieuse*; Comr. J. L. Burr, H.M.S. *Porpoise*.

THE Nagasaki *Rising Sun* reports that anti-foreign feeling in Kumamoto has lately become so strong that the foreign missionaries there have considered it advisable to make all necessary arrangements for leaving as early as possible should it continue to increase.

THE China Navigation Co's steamer *Changsha*, Capt. J. E. Williams, which arrived at Port Darwin from Hongkong on Sunday the 17th inst., made a "best on record," the trip occupying only a trifle over eight days. The E. and A. Co's popular old liner *Manmuir* was only a few hours behind her rival.

CHINESE papers report that Yuan Se Kai, Minister Resident for China in Corea, has been appointed Taotai at Wenchow, and that Li Siaou-yuen, the present Tientsin Prefect, will succeed Mr. Yuan at Seoul. As similar reports of this kind have been current for a long time past we publish this one with all reserve.

WE would remind our readers that, under the grandmotherly legislation of the present *régime*, it will be necessary for all owners of dogs to take out new licences from the beginning of this year. Anywhere else but in Hongkong this important information would have been duly and publicly notified long ere now.

"PRINCESS TOTO" drew another crowded house on Saturday, and Mr. G. South, who is certainly one of the most popular amateur comedians ever seen in the East, scored a great success in the part of *Zapster*, which he undertook at very short notice owing to Mr. Darby being laid up. The Princess will be on view again to-morrow night.

DR. TURNBULL, the popular inspector-general of the Naval Hospital, is to leave for home very shortly; his successor being already appointed, in the person of Dr. Knott. Both Dr. Turnbull and his family will be greatly missed here, not only by their many friends among the residents of Hongkong, but also by the men of the fleet, who have good reason to appreciate their kindness to all classes.

OUR Shanghai contemporary the *Mercury* says that the six vessels of the Peiyang squadron, which arrived at Woosung recently, will leave shortly for a cruise in southern waters, under Admiral Ting, during which they will call at Hongkong, Manila, and Singapore, remaining at the latter place during the China New Year festivities. The squadron is not expected back in Chinese waters till the beginning of March.

PEOPLE living at Nanking according to the *N. Daily News*, are being forced to be satisfied with a vegetarian diet at present owing to the absence of rain. A short time ago to bring about the desired end, cattle and pigs were prohibited from being slaughtered, but as the gods are still obdurate, the Viceroy has now decreed that no fish, crabs, or shrimps shall be caught or eaten until the clerk of the weather changes his present frame of mind.

D'ARC'S Marionettes continue to do splendid business down in the Bijou Theatre, West Point. The house on Saturday was even larger than on the opening night and again last evening the building was crammed. The matinee performance in the afternoon was attended by his Excellency the Governor, Lady Robinson and party, and much interest was manifested in the doings of the wonder-working lilliputians. The programme will be changed again to-night, when many novelties will be introduced. As before, seats may be booked with Messrs. Kelly and Walsh, Ltd.

H.M.S. *Porpoise* returned from a trip to the Pescadores yesterday.

THE Russian gunboat *Sivoutch* arrived at Shanghai from Nagasaki on the 24th ulto.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Teheran* left Singapore for this port at 3 p.m. yesterday.

UP to the 19th ulto. no less than 2,545 petitions were presented to the Japanese House of Peers.

THREE inches of snow fell at Tientsin on Christmas Day, according to a telegram received from that port.

THE German steamer *Hever* is reported to have been recently sold to a Japanese shipping company for $40,000.

THE P. M. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Peru*, with mails, &c., from San Francisco to the 9th ulto., has arrived at Yokohama, and left yesterday for this port.

THE steamer *Oopack*, recently acquired by the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, has been renamed *Nagoya-maru* and is to be commanded by Capt. F. J. Brown.

LAST night the members of the Water Police Mess gave a dance at Kowloon, which was in every way a great success, and was quite as much enjoyed as the Christmas dance at the Central Station.

THE Japanese Government has sanctioned a grant of *yen* 500,000 towards the completion of the Yokohama water-works scheme. The water is to be brought from both the Doshi and Sagami rivers.

MR. Jno. A. Sullivan, the well known stock and share broker, publishes in the *Mercury* a table of differences between values of Shanghai stocks, which shows an actual loss during the past year, caused by shrinkage, of taels 3,171,698.

A SLAB of intelligent and grammatical (ahem!) criticism on D'Arc's Marionette Exhibition from Saturday's *China Mail*:—"From start to finish the show was a continuous series of surprises *and when the audience were not laughing they was applauding.*" The Bay of Biscay has evidently a great deal to answer for.

ACTS of daring go variously rewarded in this world apparently. For having bitten a scolding woman's tongue out a Japanese named Terayama was the other day sentenced to ten years' penal servitude, whereas we once knew a man who got a medal—but in the language of the great Mr. Barnyard Stripling, that's another story.

CHINESE papers report that the rising in Chang Ting-hsien, Fohkien province, to which reference has several times been made in these columns, has been practically quashed, the rebels having been completed routed by the troops sent from Foochow. By order of the Viceroy the whole of the ringleaders captured were summarily decapitated.

JAPANESE insolence to foreigners residing in that country is assuming proportions which cannot long pass unnoticed and unresented. At Yokohama the other day over eighty Chinese traders at that port met, and agreed to lay before their minister certain grievances which they allege they have against the local Customs authorities. Redress is sought from the Governor of Kanagawa.

IT is stated that Shao Yu-lien, Governor of Formosa, has ordered the immediate commencement of the building of four new forts at Kelung, and further improvements and extension of the two old ones at present guarding the entrance to that port. The armament for the six forts will consist partly of guns from England and Germany, while the Kiangnan Arsenal will also furnish a few large ones.

IT would be interesting to know who, if anybody, was responsible for Queen's Road East and Arsenal Street being yesterday forenoon transformed into a filthy quagmire. Walking in the liquid mud was an impossibility, and persons in 'rickshas were literally covered with the objectionable filth. There would seem to be neither management nor commonsense in the Hongkong Public Works Department.

IF the native papers can be relied on, a new cotton-spinning factory in Hankow, under most influential auspices, will be started during the current year. It is stated that a contract has been made between the Chinese promoters of the new enterprise and H. Munster Schultz & Co. and Arnhold, Karberg & Co., of Shanghai, to supply the necessary machinery, and that the bargain money has already been paid. The buildings will be finished during the coming summer.

THUS our heathen and unbelieving contemporary the Singapore *Free Press*:—"Mr. Ezra Abraham Solomon advertises that he is changing his name to Edward Sandeman. His brother in England has taken the same surname in a similar way in London. There is little wonder that the family name should have become so numerous as to lead to mistakes, considering the seven hundred wives and three hundred concubines that their great ancestor is said to have taken to himself."

THE patients in the Naval Hospital were treated to a very enjoyable little concert last Thursday by members of the medical staff and friends. The whole of the hospital was profusely and artistically decorated, and the concert was held in one of the upper wards, where lies one of the strangest cases ever known here—a marine named Adams, who was crushed by the fall of some gear in H.M.S. *Mercury* last May, and has since been completely paralysed below the waist, and yet is otherwise well and in the best of spirits. He has never been able to leave the ward since, and so the room was arranged for the concert, and all the other patients—about 45—and staff, with a few friends, were assembled before an extemporised stage, beautifully ornamented with evergreens, flowers, festoons, and mottoes, under the direction of Wardmaster Mitchell, assisted by many willing hands. Among those who contributed songs was Corporal Adams, the patient above mentioned, who sang with great feeling "Life is but a span."

A TELEGRAM from London to the Calcutta *Englishman*, dated the 6th ulto., says:—"The report of the Advisory Committee of creditors of the late New Oriental Bank shows that the causes of failure were due to costly premises; unnecessary opening of branches which did not pay, the large investments made by the head office on dubious securities, heavy advances made to customers upon inadequate security, and losses resulting from the fall in silver and dealings in exchange. Four of the directors, it appears, borrowed largely from the bank, and owed, when it failed, nearly eighty thousand pounds, which was covered by inadequate security. Mr. Cargill has since left the country, and Mr. Macde...ald has died, thereby preventing their bankruptcy. The suspension of the bank, the report adds, is largely due to advances made by the bank to new companies. The total advances in all quarters amounted to over one million sterling, and the total deficiency to two million one hundred and thirty thousand, of which the creditors bear one million and a half. The total claims amount to four millions two hundred thousand, showing a deficiency of seven shillings and two pence in a pound. Creditors cannot expect over six shillings in the pound more."

THE silk ex steamship *Empress of India* was delivered in New York on the 30th ulto.

RETIRING U. S. Consul-General W. D. Tillotson was "testimonialised" at Yokohama by a large number of friends the other day. Sentiment and feelings of good-fellowship generally ran high. Mr. Tillotson is about to return to America.

IT is reported from Japan that a bribery scandal, with which many high officials are said to be connected, has been discovered. It is alleged that a Minister of State and a Councillor bribed a certain advocate to bribe a Judge and a Public Procurator. The money which passed in the transactions is said to amount to over one hundred thousand dollars.

THE *San Francisco Bulletin* of November 29th, says:—A large part of the value of the freight shipped to Hongkong by the Pacific Mail Co.'s steamer *China* was made up by a consignment of 1,000 flasks of quicksilver, worth $40 per flask. This is the first shipment of the kind to that port in three years. Some years ago that market drew heavily on this port for the article, but of late years all the supplies have been obtained from London, as England has been underselling California in China."

THE British barque *Ben Mac Dhui*, which had arrived from New York with a cargo of kerosene was destroyed by fire at Pekalongan, Java, on Friday, December 15th. On the morning of the 22nd, three officers and twelve of the crew arrived at Singapore by the steamer *Gian Ann*. The cause of the fire was unknown. Fortunately none of the crew were injured. The *Ben Mac-dhui* was an iron barque, of 1,157 tons, built in 1877 by Messrs. Barclay, Curle and Co., of Glasgow. Her dimensions were, length, 219·9 feet; breadth, 35·1 feet; and depth, 21 feet. Capt. Auld, who was in command, remained at Pekalongan.

THE recent collision in the Shanghai river between the Messageries Maritimes Co.'s steamship *Salazie* and the China Navigation Co.'s *Soochow* was submitted by mutual consent to the arbitration of Capt. Mandet, of the French gunboat *Comète*, and Lieut. V. Maud, of H.M.S. *Caroline*, with Commander Impey, of the U.S.S. *Monocacy*, as umpire. In the event the *Soochow* was held solely to blame for the collision as Captain Martin, having misunderstood a signal of the *Salazie*, improperly parted his helm at the last moment. The cost of the affair to the China Navigation Co. is estimated at over *taels* 8,000.

ACCORDING to the *Kobe Chronicle* the Great Japan party is desperately in earnest just now. A meeting of the party held in Tokyo on the 21st instant, and attended by Mr. Abel Hankon and Mr. Oi Kentaro, was dissolved by the police, the utterances of one of the members being considered prejudicial to public peace. The leaders afterwards reassembled at another restaurant, and took a solemn oath never to rest until the proceedings in the *Chishima-kan* case had been thoroughly laid bare, and to untiringly insist on the strict enforcement of the treaties. How the oath was taken is not stated—perhaps solemnity was added by each person cutting his finger and then drinking his own blood, as prescribed upon such occasions by Japanese authorities.

AT the regular meeting of the Northern Lodge of China No. 570 E.C. held in the Masonic Hall, Shanghai, on December 21st, the following officers were installed by Rt. Wor. Bro. J. I. Miller, District Grand Master of Northern China:—

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| J. P. McEuen | W.M. |
| J. Graham | S.W. |
| F. L. Crompton | J.W. |
| W. H. Anderson, P.M. | Treasurer. |
| R. S. Ivy | Secretary. |
| P. A. W. Ottomeier | S.D. |
| A. L. Anderson | J.D. |
| R. B. Allen | D. of C. |
| H. A. Collins | I.G. |
| J. C. Hanson | Steward. |
| H. C. Pearce | do. |

OUR friend Arnot Reid of the *Straits Times* again on "the only journalist in the Far East" racket:—"The *Pinang Gazette* has infringed a 'Emerald Isle of the East' was coined in this office for (political) application to Penang; and the *Gazette* now applies the phrase to Singapore. To such a use of the phrase there is, from the ordinary standpoint, no objection. Anybody may apply any phrase to Singapore without remonstrance. All that is at issue is the infringement of copyright." We should really like to know how many original phrases coined in the office of the *Hongkong Telegraph* the *Straits Times* has appropriated without acknowledgment! And we have serenely smiled. Friend Arnot, there can be no copyright over what is everybody's property and if our opinion is of any value, your application of the phrase "Emerald Isle of the East" to Penang, whether meant politically or otherwise, is so childish as to be beneath intelligent criticism. *Valeat quantum valere potest.*

### ALICE MEMORIAL AND NETHERSOLE HOSPITALS.

*Statistics for December, 1893.*

| | A.M.H. | N.H. |
|---|---|---|
| In-Patients remaining in Hospital on 1st December | 27 | 29 |
| In-Patients admitted to Hospital during December | 48 | 18 |
| Total number treated as In-Patients | 75 | 47 |
| Of these there were:— | | |
| Discharged cured | 22 | 12 |
| Discharged relieved | 7 | 1 |
| Discharged on other grounds | 3 | — |
| Died in Hospital | 1 | 2 |
| | 32 | 15 |
| In-Patients remaining in Hospital on 1st January, 1894 | 43 | 32 |
| Out-Patients, new cases | 814 | 48 |
| Out-Patients, return visits | 1024 | 95 |
| Total number of Out-Patient visits | 1,838 | 143 |

JAMES J. BURTON, M.A., M.D.,
Superintendent.

WRITING on December 27th the Ningpo correspondent of the *Shanghai Mercury* says: With such warm, unseasonable weather it was not to be expected that any of the usual festivities would take place before Xmas. On Christmas night, however, nearly the whole foreign community assembled in the British Consulate in response to Mr. and Mrs. Hausser's intimation of an "At Home." The gathering would have been still greater but, unfortunately, many were prevented by ill-health from attending. Mr. and Mrs. Hausser were indefatigable in providing entertainment for their numerous guests, and dancing was kept up until what is known I believe to sailors as "four bells in the morning watch." Mr. Hausser's novel efforts and expedients to create fun and laughter were entirely successful, and savoured somewhat of "Ye merry olden times" when the Yule-log and mistletoe boughs were in fashion. Under such circumstances, of course, all enjoyed themselves, and are looking forward to other and like entertainments which rumour says are to take place in the near future. . . . We have had no rain for ten weeks, and your correspondent cannot support the Native papers' assertion that a snowfall took place here on the 17th inst.

T... reports that the extensive property o... Creek, at Shanghai, known as "...," has been sold for Tls. 20,000, to C... intend to erect a cotton-mill on the gr...

A... of Japanese exhibitors to the C... bition, held at Nagoya on the 16th ult... which the chief centres of manu... the country were represented, it was re... petition Parliament for a grant of *yen* 1... ds defraying the cost of making an... those exhibits which still remain un... cago.

A ... dent, and one which thoroughly ex... the stupidity of horse owners in all... animals out in charge of careless or... coolies, as well as the thorough di... the authorities for the establishment of... order in the street-traffic, occurred las... but luckily without any casualty othe... loss of a pony. It appears a dog-cart... up in the road opposite Murray Ba... was as close to the gutter as it co... aced when a pony ridden by a ma... remains of the once game little ra... lero), came prancing along, zig-zagg... 'rickshas, chairs and pedestrians fairly into the trap and impaled itself... the shafts. The wound was so deep... with difficulty that the shaft could be ... but eventually it was freed and take... Kennedy's stables where it died only... minutes afterwards. We suppose it will... till some more serious, or perhaps fatal... occurs that the Police authorities will... to the responsibilities of their du... lame and enforce rules by means of whi... ever-increasing traffic in the streets may... sibly and effectively regulated. As ... are at present, it is absolutely dang... drive a pony-trap along any of the bus... fares; let the pony be ever so quie... driver ever so experienced; the 'ricki... dies do the colliding act on their own... and often to the imminent peril of "fa... high time some reform or at least com... was brought to bear in this direc... tion.

### *CO... AT THE GOVERNMENT CIVIL HOSPITAL.*

Br... peaking, the concert which was orga... the entertainment of the inmates of th... ment Civil Hospital and which was held ... titution on Saturday afternoon was, perh... most pleasant of the many pleasing featur... ing the celebration of Christmas. Not ... concert itself could be classed as being ... artistic merit, but the fact that so many ... can be found to come forward and ... y volunteer their services in the cause ... mpathetic charity is indicative that ... of human kindness may, upon occas... nade to flow here as elsewhere. A spacio... had been improvised into a concert r... d was tastefully decorated with festoo... unting, evergreens, and mottoes appro... the occasion; the whole reflecting the hi... dit upon the taste of the Sisters who, ... e, were mainly responsible for the decora... Wreaths of evergreens and flags were a... along the balcony and on the balust... the whole scene, in fact, was bright ... ery to a degree, forming a pleasant co... the customary nakedness of the buildin... t was plainly evident that the change... welcome one to the patients, of whom ... ty or fifty were in the room.

His ... ncy the Governor and Lady Robinso... present, as were also Admiral Sir E. and ... emantle, Major-General and Mrs. Barker ... ost of the *elite* of the colony; in fact, ... udience was what "Brownie" would te... shionable,' and would have been well-beh... d not a few of the exuberantly enthusias... d their sticks when applauding as if dig... t-holes, blissfully oblivious of the fact that ... ere numerous sick-beds behind and belo... The programme was if anything a tr... lengthy, and might easily have been ad... with musical numbers more calculated ... cheer the drooping spirits of the sick than ... e case; one "Little Nipper" upon such ... asions being worth a whole battalion ... mentalists. The concert opened with a bri... executed overture, "Faust," by Mrs. Gilli... W. E. Crow, who was suffering from a s... at husky voice, next essayed "The Vill... blacksmith"), and succeeded in eliciting ... d of appreciative applause. Balfe's ... a merry Zingara" was pleasantly rendered ... D. W. Craddock, who at first displayed ... of nervousness; afterwards in the duet "... or" which she and her husband sang, her ... as heard to better advantage. Mr. Leung ... hu next made his bow and introduced ... genuine musical instrument that is to ... found in a Chinese orchestra—*Yeung* ... and played with evident skill a select... Chinese airs. The exhibition was both ... d enjoyable and caused quite a buzz of ad... on. The sextet "Sweet and Low," in w... Mrs. Keswick, Miss Parkes, Sister Annie, ... and Mrs. Goodman and Mr. Crow, took ... was admirably rendered and was much ... effective than the New Year's Song sung ... in the evening by the same artists. "Di... of the Summer Night" was set down for ... C. H. Lammert, but as that gentleman ... able to be present a substitute was found ... Brewitt who sang with excellent effe... An old Garden." The next item caused ... le a flutter: it was Lady Robinson's, ... arraden's "Folded to Rest"; the violin *obbli*... by young Malcolm Robinson. It might ha... en questioned whether it was Lady Robinso... her bright little son who was entitled to ... ion's share of the applause which follow... had she not settled the point by gra... ly indicating to the budding Sara... that he should bow his acknowledgme... which he did in the finished fashi... n "old timer." The "Little Nipper," in ... tter, by Mr. Allenby, was splendidly re... ed and that gentleman was sufficiently go... ured to respond with "Gee Wo!" which ... ked the audience "some." The second p... of the entertainment was introduced by a ... noforte duet by Mesdames Gillies and G... an, who also throughout the evening divi... accompanying honours. In "Tom Bowli... Mr. Goodman had an excellent opportunity of ... playing his vocal abilities, and scored a d... Mr. Mesdames Keswick and Alford follo... with a pretty duet. "The Lighthouse ... pet," most effectively rendered by Mrs. D... r, was *the* song of the evening. Dr. ... ich next eventuated in his great Rich... No. 3 act, which had not only the virtue ... amusing but also of mystifying. Lady Ro... on then sang Hutchinson's "My Bairn" ... and as on the previous occasion came in fo... storied applause—it was all her own this t... The duet (violin and piano) "Hungaria... nces" found spirited exponents in Mrs. ... es and Dr. Meadon, while "Thou o... Thou," one of Grossmith's absurdities ... Dr. Lowson (who encored with a pathetic ball... labelled something like "I cannot sing the old ... ge," etc.), brought the concert to an end.

The gue... were afterwards entertained by Dr. J. M. A... son, to whom, together with the Sisters, ever... redit is due for the efforts they expended on ... entertainment which must have materially a... ted in breaking the wearying monotony o... he hospital for many of the inmates ther...

## HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

Saturday's competition attracted eight members, and some good scores were registered over the two and five hundred yards ranges. At the shorter range Sergt.-Major Liddle, Mr. Duncan and Inspector Watson scored 33 each, Commander Ashe and Mr. McLennan "running up" with one point less. Mr. Wason made a very poor show at 500 yards, but although Messrs. Liddle, Ashe and Duncan maintained their previous good form, they failed to concede the handicap allowance of six points to Capt. Palmer, who made net totals of 29 and 31 respectively, thus scoring 56, and securing the Spoon. Sergt. Major Liddle took second place with 64. Full scores, with handicap allowances, are appended :—

| | 600 yards. | 500 yds. | Total. | Points allowed. | Grand Total. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Capt. Palmer | 29 | 31 | 60 | 6 | 66 |
| Sergt.-Major Liddle | 33 | 31 | 64 | 0 | 64 |
| Commr. Ashe, R.N. | 29 | 31 | 60 | 3 | 63 |
| Mr. W. Duncan | 33 | 30 | 63 | 0 | 63 |
| Mr. McLennan | 30 | 28 | 58 | 0 | 58 |
| Lieut.-Col. Mulcahy | 30 | 20 | 50 | 7 | 57 |
| Mr. E. Robinson | 28 | 27 | 55 | 0 | 55 |
| Inspector Watson | 23 | 22 | 55 | 0 | 55 |

## NEWS BY THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The China Navigation Co.'s steamer *Chingtu*, Capt. R. Innes, from Sydney December 12th, *viâ* ports of call, arrived in port this morning. For the subjoined telegrams we are indebted to our Colonial exchanges :—

LONDON, November 27th.

In the House of Commons this afternoon the amendments made by the House of Lords to the Parish Councils Bill were under discussion. The House of Commons recently returned the Bill with the rejected clause restored, and the House of Lords now sent a message proposing that a joint committee should be appointed by the House of Commons and the House of Lords to inquire into the operations and expediency of the betterment principle. In referring to the matter Mr. Gladstone offered a direct snub to the House of Lords, declaring that the proposal was of a dictatory nature. The House of Commons would not, he said, alter its decision, but would insist upon the retention of the betterment clause in the Bill. Mr. Gladstone's remarks were received with cheers.

Referring to the mission of Mr. Mackenzie Bowell, Canadian Minister for Trade and Commerce to Australia, the *Times* says that unless the Australian colonies sink their mutual differences the arrangement of a reciprocal trade agreement between Australia and Canada would be without effect. If, however, the colonies acted unitedly and appointed a delegation to proceed to Ottawa any agreement entered into must, as a result, mean a larger and more dignified public life in those parts of the Empire concerned.

A most disastrous earthquake has been experienced in Persia, and great loss of life is reported. The town of Kuchan was completely destroyed, and it is estimated that fully 12,000 persons were killed. Latest news states that 10 000 corpses have been recovered.

The *Westminster Gazette* published from its Sydney correspondent an interview with Sir Henry Parkes, in which he is represented as saying that the colonial party in the House of Commons is sheer humbug.

5.40 p.m.

The Afrikander members in the Legislature of Cape Colony intend to ask the colonial party in the House of Commons at its next meeting to express approval of the policy of Mr. Cecil Rhodes, Premier of Cape Colony.

Messrs. Chaffey Bros., Limited, intend to issue £250,000 worth of debentures in London during December.

Mr. Tom Mann, the labor leader, who was recently offered a curacy, has decided not to enter the church.

Mr. John Dillon, M.P., has stated that the annual cost of maintaining evicted tenants in Ireland is £14,000.

November 29th.

The charge of collusion preferred against Edith Chester, the well-known actress, and her divorced husband, was finally dealt with to-day. Miss Chester called evidence which proved the charge of adultery and cohabitation with her husband after the divorce, as alleged by the Queen's Proctor, by whom the proceedings were instituted, to be groundless. The court held that the charge of collusion had not been sustained, and the case was dismissed.

The Earl of Glasgow, Governor of New Zealand, has recommended Mr. R. J. Seddon, Premier of that colony, for knighthood. Mr. Justice Harding, of Queensland, is mentioned as likely to have the honor of knighthood conferred upon him.

Telegrams from Milan give particulars of a disastrous railway accident which has occurred near that city at a place called Limito. An express train conveying a large number of passengers came into collision with a goods train, the former being completely wrecked. The debris of the express took fire, and 35 of the passengers were either killed on the spot or burned to death, while many others were injured.

Mr Andrew Carnegie, referring to the proposed alteration of the United States tariff, said that the bill for the repeal of the M'Kinley Act originated with desperate men, and it will be found impossible to pass it into law.

Mr. A. Gathorne-Hardy, the Conservative member for the East Grimstead Division of Sussex, has resigned his seat in the House of Commons.

November 30th.

The Russian authorities recently issued orders for the closing of a Roman Catholic Church at Koono, Poland. The Catholics, however, disregarded the order and declined to close the church. The place was garrisoned by a detachment of soldiers, and a conflict between the members of the congregation and the troops resulted. Twenty of the Catholics were killed and 100 wounded.

The French police have discovered the existence of an anarchists' factory under the streets of Marseilles. Operations were carried out on an extensive scale in a large excavation made for the purpose. The articles seized by the authorities include a number of bombs, and complete appliances for the manufacture of bombs and infernal machines.

A number of ministers of the Church of England and clergymen belonging to other denominations are holding a conference in London with a view of devising some means of relieving the distress existing amongst the working classes. Resolutions were passed approving of the principle of sufficient wages being paid to enable people to live; and suggesting the appointment of boards of conciliation to intervene in labor disputes.

Sir John Thompson, Premier of Canada, has been appointed a Privy Councillor, as a recognition of his services in connection with the Behring Sea Arbitration Commission.

The prospectus has been issued in London of the North Queensland Sugar Refining Co., the capital of which has been fixed at £100,000.

It has transpired that the solicitor charged at the instance of Mr. Leigh, a young member of an aristocratic family, with misappropriating $48,000 given to him for investments Mr. John Stogden, Mr. Leigh married an actress, and owing to the influence of his friends who did not approve of the match, shortly after left her and visited Australia. Before leaving London he entrusted Stogden with the amount named, but the latter, it is alleged, converted it to his own uses. The case was before the courts to-day when these facts were disclosed in evidence, with the result that Stogden was suspended for a period of two years.

During the recent prolonged coal miners' strike in England the Durham colliery proprietors continued to supply the market at an immense profit. It is reported that the Marquis of Londonderry, who is largely interested in the Durham mines, netted fully £250,000 by the strike.

The London court to-day made an order directing the compulsory winding-up of the Mercantile Finance and Trustees Co.

Mr. H. H. Asquith, Home Secretary, replying to a question in the House of Commons this afternoon, said he was considering the question of issuing instructions for the prosecution of Mr. Samuels, editor of *Commonwealth*, on a charge of inciting anarchists to murder.

The charge of fraud against C. B. Harness, president of the Medical Battery Co., and Dr. Macully, a Marylebone physician, was further proceeded with to-day. Expert evidence was given to show that the appliances supplied by Harness' company were merely magnetised, and could not in any way affect patients, being absolutely useless for curing diseases.

The Privy Council has reserved its decision in the appeal case *Black v. the Christchurch (N.Z.) Finance Co.*

A meeting of the depositors of the English, Scottish and Australian Bank, Limited, was held to-day for the purpose of electing two directors under the reconstruction scheme to represent the depositors on the board. Mr. Clarke, of Edinburgh, and Mr. Jackson, of London, were elected to fill the positions.

In connection with the proposed visit of the Russian fleet to Constantinople, the Sultan of Turkey has, under the pretext of a fear of introducing cholera, asked Admiral Avellan to abandon the visit.

December 6th.

The Marquis de Rays, who organised a most disastrous colonising expedition to New Ireland some twelve years ago, is dead.

President Cleveland in his message to Congress, estimates the deficit in June next at twenty-eight million dollars, and suggests that fresh international taxation be adopted.

The coal miners in Scotland, who recently struck work for an increase of wages, have now asked for the intervention of Mr. Gladstone.

Gladstone has declined to authorise a temporary reduction of the working day to eight hours in the various departments in the interest of the unemployed.

AUCKLAND, December 6th.

Disastrous floods have occurred in the Hawkes Bay district, New Zealand, and several fatalities are reported. It is estimated that nearly 40,000 sheep have been lost.

BRISBANE, December 7th.

At Charters Towers during the past eleven months 111,098 tons of stone were crushed for a yield of 237,057 ounces of gold.

Rabbits are becoming plentiful in the vicinity of Cunnamulla.

Mary McMahon has been committed for trial at Croydon for the murder of her husband, whom she stuck with a knife in self defence while he was on a drunken spree.

The influenza epidemic is now abating in the Bundaberg district, but there has been considerable mortality amongst the Kanakas.

SYDNEY, December 7th.

A daring attempt was made by some person in Sydney yesterday to set fire to the Tarragon Hotel in King street. When the Fire Brigade arrived on the scene they found that fires had been started in 25 different places and the gas pipes had also been cut.

Sydney Davis was yesterday sentenced to three years' imprisonment for embezzling £4000.

Joseph Johnson, late manager of the Permanent Building Society in Melbourne, has been arrested on a charge of misappropriating the Society's funds to a large amount.

A conference of representatives of several Newcastle collieries is now sitting in Newcastle considering what measures are necessary to bring about united action towards regaining the lost trade of the port.

A foreign seaman named Louis Castro, who recently stabbed a fellow sailor on board the ship *Bay of Bengal*, has been sentenced to three years' imprisonment.

In the Sydney Divorce Court on Tuesday in twenty cases rules *nisi* for the dissolution of the marriages were made absolute.

MELBOURNE December 7th.

George Daly, formerly a Queensland miner who was a passenger by the *Armand Behic* for France, was robbed in Melbourne of a belt containing £680.

LONDON, December 8th.

The French Government is founding a system of river torpedoes similar to the Russian system.

Further proceedings have been instituted to bring about the return to England of Jabez S. Balfour, the absconding manager of the Liberator Building Society, by the suspension of which last year many persons were absolutely ruined. It was afterwards reported that Balfour was living in luxury in Buenos Ayres on the proceeds of his fraud, and a movement to kidnap him, and bring him within British jurisdiction was spoken of. It is now probable that the Government of the Argentine Republic will grant his extradition, and that he will be brought back to London for trial.

Mr Audley Coote, of Tasmania, will attend the cable conference to be held shortly in Paris. During the course of an interview Mr. Coote stated that the company with which he is connected is prepared to lay a through cable, and that already sufficient money has been raised to cover the expense of taking the line as far as Samoa.

The Victorian Government has asked the banks to refund the sum of £2400 charged as interest on an overdraft after the proceeds of the last loan had been received. The banks declined to comply with the request, and the matter was submitted to arbitration, the result being that the Government was awarded £2100.

Mr. Gladstone, replying to the request of the locked-out Scotch miners for the arrangement of an arbitration tribunal to settle the wages dispute, has declined to intervene in the dispute until all other means for a settlement have been exhausted.

During the recent great coal strike in England 15 000 tons of coal were imported, chiefly from Belgium. There were 500 tons brought from Sydney.

A meeting of the shareholders of the English, Scottish and Australian Bank, Limited, was held to-day. Mr. Hegan, one of the directors, referring to the previous operations of the bank, said that in future the directors would decline to take fixed deposits for short periods. With a view of economising in the cost of management some of the branches in the Australian colonies were being closed.

The Swiss National Council has passed a vote of £1,000,000 to cover the expenses to be incurred by the permanent occupancy of the forts commanding the Gothard Pass.

During the course of his remarks before the Imperial Institute on the resources of New South Wales yesterday, Lord Jersey said that Sydney was destined to become the greatest port of the Pacific.

Sir John Thompson, Premier of Canada, during the course of a speech yesterday, said he would be willing to arrange a reciprocal reduction in the duties in respect to goods imported from the United States provided that such a course would not affect the allegiance of Canada to Great Britain.

Lady Somerset and other well-known ladies have undertaken an agitation in the hope of bettering the condition of drunkards. They urge that 100 inebriates should be transferred to the farm homes, where they would be cured, and at the same time assist to maintain the homes.

Lord Cromer, at present British Minister at Alexandria, has been offered the position of British Ambassador at St. Petersburg in succession to the late Sir Robert Morier.

December 9th.

The trial of two brothers named Rodriques, at Brest, France, on a charge of piracy and murder in the South Seas has been concluded. The evidence showed that the brothers shot the captain of the Tahiti schooner *Muroahiti*, poisoned five of the crew, enslaved four Kanakas who were on board, and seized the vessel. The prisoners were convicted and sentenced to death.

The Royal Commission appointed to inquire into the opium traffic in India has examined members of the Bengal Chamber of Commerce on the question. These witnesses asserted that in the event of the abolition of the opium trade a sum of £100,000,000 would be required to meet all the claims for compensation, and that a prohibition of the sale of opium would produce discontent and disaster which would be hard to appease.

The *Employers' Liability Bill* was dealt with in committee of the House of Lords to-day. A clause was added providing that employers and workmen may contract themselves out of the operations of the bill. The new clause was agreed to by a majority of 120, the bishops voting with the majority. A similar clause was rejected by the House of Commons by a large majority.

December 10th.

The first-class cruiser *Crescent* has been selected by the Admiralty to replace H.M.S. *Orlando* as flagship of the Australian station. The *Observer* says that the change will be an advantage to Australia.

[The *Crescent* is a first-class twin-screw cruiser of 7700 tons. She was built at Portsmouth in 1892, and her indicated horse-power is 17,000. Her hull is constructed of steel and wood, and her measurements are: Length, 360ft., breadth, 61ft.; depth, 24ft. 7in. Her steaming power is 19·5 knots per hour, and her coal capacity 850 tons. Her armament is: One 9½in., two 22-ton breech-loaders, one 26in. gun, 17 6-pounder and 3-pounder quick-firing guns, and 7 muzzle-loading 4-ton guns.]

A bill has been introduced into the House of Commons by Mr. G. W. E. Russell, member for Biggleswade, empowering the Indian Government to float a loan of £ 0,000,000. The loan, it is said, is necessitated by the closing of the mints and the reduced value of bills, a result of the silver crisis.

The difficulty between the Scotch miners, of whom 100,000 were locked out, and the employers has been settled, and the men are returning to work on the employers' terms.

Lord Brassey has advised the British Government to no longer delay an increase in the strength of the Mediterranean Squadron. It has been officially announced that the squadron is to be reinforced by the addition of the *Benbow* and the *Gleaner*.

The death is announced of Sir George Elvey, the well-known musical composer, in his 78th year.

December 11th.

A bomb was thrown from the gallery into the French Chamber of Deputies while the House was sitting on Saturday afternoon. It exploded with terrific force, wounding some 80 persons, but none of the prominent members of the Chamber were seriously injured.

Later.

The author of the bomb outrage in the French Chamber of Deputies has been arrested. He glories in the outrage and expresses regret that nobody was killed.

The total number of persons wounded by the explosion in the French Chamber was sixty-three, including twenty Deputies.

SYDNEY, December 11th.

A political crisis has occurred in the New South Wales Parliament. A motion has been carried in the House severely censuring Messrs. Barton and O'Connor for accepting briefs in an action recently brought against the Railway Commissioner. Two members have resigned in consequence, and the Government has obtained a prorogation of Parliament until the 16th January next.

December 12th.

The Australian cricketers returned to Sydney on Saturday from their English and American tour, and the rumours of dissension and ill-feeling in the team are borne out by the statements of several of the men.

Charles Felloes, an itinerant violin player, was shot dead at Wilcannia on Saturday night by a young man named McGrath, a son of the proprietor of a hotel, in front of which Felloes was playing. McGrath has been arrested on a charge of murder.

At a Labor League meeting held in West Sydney last night, the Active Service Brigade attempted to interrupt the proceedings; but precautions having been taken beforehand in anticipation of a disturbance, the agitators were promptly ejected from the meeting. One man attempted to use a revolver and was taken into custody by the police.

Intense heat was reported throughout New South Wales yesterday.

The resignations of Barton and O'Connor of their positions in the New South Wales Ministry have been accepted, but the political situation is otherwise unchanged.

BRISBANE, December 12th.

The output of Mount Morgan for the past half year was 60,760 ounces.

AUCKLAND, December 13th.

A deputation from the Prohibition League waited upon the Premier of New Zealand to urge the holding of a Summer Session of Parliament to prevent the Alcoholic Liquors Act, passed last session, coming into force. The Premier, however, gave an unfavorable reply.

The New Zealand Government are not in favor of being represented at the proposed Canadian conference.

LONDON, December 13th.

The House of Lords has passed resolutions of sympathy with the Chamber of Deputies in connection with the recent outrage.

The mistress of Vaillant, who threw the bomb in the French Chamber of Deputies, has been arrested as an accessory.

Anarchist placards have been posted in Paris threatening revenge for the arrest of Vaillant, and the city is being closely watched by the police.

Two brothers named Rorique have been condemned to death in France for piracy and murder in connection with the seizing of a Tahitian trading vessel last year.

Upwards of fifty persons have been arrested in connection with a nihilist plot which has been discovered in Warsaw.

The whole of the Scottish miners who went out on strike have now resumed work at the old rate of wages.

A fire at Antwerp destroyed the Hanseatic grain warehouse, the damage being estimated at £240,000

Signor Crispi has formed a new Ministry in Italy.

After a heated discussion, the Cabinet has decided to spend eight millions in strengthening the British Navy.

In connection with the agitation for increasing the strength of the navy, a large and enthusiastic meeting of merchants, bankers and general public was held in London on Tuesday.

Severe gales have been again experienced on the south-east coast of England doing considerable damage and causing the loss of many lives.

There were 127 deaths from influenza in London last week.

BRISBANE, December 14th.

The Executive Council yesterday decided to release from custody Michael Considine, who in July 1890 tried to murder his father and was ordered to be detained in gaol during Her Majesty's pleasure.

A terrific storm was experienced in Maytown on Tuesday, half of the town being demolished.

SYDNEY, December 14th.

A man named Patrick Dawson attempted to commit suicide in the police station at Maclean, New South Wales, by hanging himself. He also made two other attempts to commit suicide, but both were frustrated.

The vacancies in the New South Wales Ministry caused by the resignation of the Attorney-General and the Minister for Education have not yet been filled.

News has been received from Auckland of the deposition of the Premier of Tonga by the King and of a number of other political changes now imminent.

Henry Corn has obtained a verdict for £250 damages for libel against the *Sunday Times* in Sydney.

R. Teece, the general manager and actuary of the A. M. P. Society, has returned from his visit to England, where he had been consulting the leading actuaries as to certain changes in the method of carrying on the business of the society.

At the Central Criminal Court yesterday, E. Broad, a solicitor, was found guilty of misappropriating £2,650 entrusted to him, and was remanded for sentence.

A detachment of about fifty single men left Sydney last night *en route* to the New Australia settlement in Paraguay.

Miss Grace Robinson, aged 22, a student at the Sydney University, has been appointed doctor of the lying-in ward of the Sydney Benevolent Asylum.

LONDON, December 20th.

There are symptoms that the periodical war scare is about to be strongly revived, and a general feeling of uneasiness prevails throughout Europe arising from various uncanny rumours now circulating.

It is reported that Russia has formally demanded from China the surrender of all the latter country's real or fancied rights in the Murghab Valley, one of the few practical gateways giving access to India. The Chinese Government refuses to entertain the idea.

Agents of the Russian Government are making large purchases of various munitions of war in the United States.

December 21st.

The French Crown jewels have been sold for half a million sterling. The amount is to form the nucleus of a fund being formed to provide pensions for the support of aged and helpless people.

A dynamite shell has been found in Broadway, New York. The fuse had never been ignited, and the police are puzzled to account for its presence in the fashionable thoroughfare.

Definite information has been received concerning the fate of Captain Williams, who has been missing ever since the fighting in the vicinity of Buluwayo. It shows that Captain Williams' horse was killed under him, and that in this plight he was surrounded by the Matabeles and slain, but only after he had killed several of his assailants with shots from his revolver.

Codina, the author of the recent anarchist outrage at Barcelona, in Spain, has been arrested. He has betrayed his accomplices, and all have been arrested.

SYDNEY, December 21st.

A terrible boating fatality occurred in the harbour on Sunday last, resulting in seven persons being drowned. The excursionists were sailing in the yacht *Ripple*, when she was capsized by a sudden squall.

PERTH (W.A.), December 21st.

A new find of gold of fabulous richness is reported to have been made in a locality south of Coolgardie, the fortunate Bayley again being the discoverer.

The rich gold in Bayley's reward claim continues, the latest news being that twelve hundred ounces had been obtained from the reef in ten hours.

The condition of affairs has been greatly improved by late rains. The big dam at the Twenty-five mile Rock is stated to have been half filled.

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AN EMERGENCY MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, on THURSDAY, the 4th instant, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited.
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## To-day's Advertisements.

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Hongkong, 20th December, 1893. [91

# The Share Market.

LATEST QUOTATIONS.

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank.—100 per cent., prem., sales and sellers.
The National Bank of China, Ld.—on £8.0.0. paid up,—$25, sales and buyers.
The National Bank of China, Ld.—Founders shares, nominal.
The Bank of China, Japan & the Straits, Ld.—nominal.
The Bank of China, Japan & the Straits, Ld.—Founders' shares, nominal.
Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 B—2½ per cent. premium, sellers.
Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 C—2 per cent. premium, buyers.
Chinese Imperial Loan of 1886 E—14 per cent. premium.
Union Insurance Society of Canton—$100 per share, sales and sellers.
China Traders' Insurance Company—$55 per share, sales and sellers.
North China Insurance—Tls. 135 per share, buyers.
Canton Insurance Company, Limited—$141 per share, sellers.
Yangtsze Insurance Association—$60, sellers.
On Tai Insurance Company, Limited—Tls. 15 per share.
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company—$202½ per share, sales and buyers.
China Fire Insurance Company—$81 per share, buyers.
Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.—$29 per share, sales and sellers.
China and Manila Steam Ship Company—$56 sales and buyers.
Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited—37½ per cent. discount, sales and buyers.
Douglas Steamship Company—$42, sales and sellers.
The Steam Launch Co., Limited—$20 per share, buyers.
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company—80 per cent. premium, sales and buyers.
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited—$18 per share, sellers.
Hongkong Hotel Company—$14 per share, sellers.
Hongkong Hotel Co.'s Six per-cent. Debentures —taer.
The Austin Arms Hotel and Building Company, Limited—$4 per share, sellers.
The Shameen Hotel Co., Limited—$4 per share, sellers.
Punjom Mining Co.—$8 per share, sales and buyers.
The Rauh Gold Mining Co., Limited—$4¾ per share, sales and sellers.
The Belmoral Gold Mining Co., Limited—$1.25 per share, sales and buyers.
Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin —$70 per share, buyers.
The Jelebu Mining and Trading Co., Limited—$5½ sales and buyers.
New Imuris Mining Co., Limited—nominal.
London and Pacific Petroleum Co., Ld.—*nix.*
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—$185 per share, sellers.
Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited—$35 buyers.
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited—$10½, buyers.
Dakin, Cruickshank & Co., Limited—$1½ per share sales and buyers.
Hongkong, Dairy Farm Co., Limited—$4½ per share, sellers.
The Kowloon Land Investment Co., Limited—$9 per share, sellers.
The Hongkong Land Investment Co., Limited—$55 sales and buyers.
The West Point Buildings Co., Limited—$20 per share, sellers.
H. G. Brown & Co., Limited—$7½ per share, buyers.
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company—$36 per share, sellers.
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Limited—$95 per share, buyers.
Hongkong Gas Company—$110 per share, buyers.
Hongkong Ice Company—$81 per share, sellers.
Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited—$65 per share, sellers.
The Hongkong Brick and Cement Co., Limited—$5½ per share, sellers.
The Green Island Cement Co.—$5½, sales and buyers.
The Hongkong Electric Light Co., Limited—$4½ sellers.
The Hongkong Steam Laundry Co., Limited—$25 per share, nominal.
The Hongkong High-Level Tramway Co., Limited—$62 ex. Div. buyers.

EXCHANGE.

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| ON LONDON—Bank, T. T. | 2/2⅞ |
| Bank Bills, on demand | 2/3 |
| Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight | 2/3⅛ |
| Credits at 4 months' sight | 2/3⅛ |
| Documentary Bills, at 4 months' sight | 2/3⅛ |
| ON PARIS— | |
| Bank Bills, on demand | 2.83 |
| Credits, at 4 months' sight | 2.90 |
| ON INDIA:— | |
| T. T. | 179 |
| On Demand | 179½ |
| ON SHANGHAI— | |
| Bank, T. T. | 72½ |
| Private, 30 days' sight | 73 |

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# Shipping.

ARRIVALS.

E-SANG, British steamer, 1,127, Geo. Payne, 31st, Dec.,—Canton 31st Dec., General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

TAIWAN, British steamer, 1,109, O. Anderson, 31st, Dec.,—Canton 31st Dec, General.—Butterfield & Swire.

BOMBAY, British steamer, 2,047, R. J. Sleeman, 31st Dec.,—London 11th Nov., and Singapore 24th Dec., General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

STURA, Italian steamer, 1,416, De Negri, 31st Dec.,—Bombay 9th December, General.—Carlowitz & Co.

WINGSANG, British steamer, 1,517, A. de St. Croix, 31st Dec.,—Calcutta 13th Dec., Penang 20th Dec., and Singapore 23rd, Opium and General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

CANTON, British steamer, 1,110, T. H. Sellar, 31st Dec.,—Shanghai 27th Dec., and Swatow 30th, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

ASK, Danish steamer. 592, Revsbeck, 31st Dec.,—Haiphong 28th Dec., and Hoihow 30th, General.—A. R. Marty.

GLUCKSBURG, German steamer, 918, P. Thomsen, 1st January.—Saigon 25th Dec., Rice.—Melchers & Co.

VERONA, British steamer, 1,876, C. H. S. Tocque, R.N.R., 1st Jan.,—Yokohama 23rd Dec., Mails and General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

LY-EE-MOON, German steamer, 1,238, G. Heuermann, 1st Jan.,—Shanghai 29th Dec., General.—Siemssen & Co.

CHEANG HOCK KIAN, British steamer, 956, T. M. Kunath, 1st Jan.,—Penang 19th Dec., and Singapore 24th, General.—Bun Hin Chan.

SINGAN, British steamer, 1,054, J. Price, 1st Jan.,—Wuhu 27th Dec., and Chinkiang 28th, General.—Butterfield & Swire.

FUSHUN, Chinese steamer, 1,504, Lancaster, 1st Jan.,—Shanghai 29th Dec., General.—C. M. S. N. Co.

WOSANG, British steamer, 1,127, W. E. Sawer, 1st Jan.,—Moji 27th Dec., Coals.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

ESMERALDA, British steamer, 966, G. A. Tayler, 1st Jan.,—Manila 29th Dec., General.—Shewan & Co.

TAMARIND, Norwegian steamer, 739, L. Costberg, 1st Jan.,—Hongay 27th Dec., Coals.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

HOLSTEIN, German steamer, 1,103, Bruhn, 1st Jan.,—Saigon 26th Dec., Rice.—Wieler & Co.

KWEIYANG, British steamer, 1,062, A. W. Outerbridge, 1st Jan.,—Canton 1st January, General.—Butterfield & Swire.

PORPOISE, British cruiser, 1,770, Captain John Leslie Burr, 1st January,—Pescadores 30th December.

ROHILLA, British steamer, 2,174, W. J. Nantes, 2nd Jan.,—Shanghai 30th Dec., Mails and General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

TAKSANG, British steamer, 977, Freeman, 2nd January,—Sourabaya (Java), 22nd Dec., Sugar.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

CHINGTU, British steamer, 1,451, R. Innes, 2nd Jan.,—Sydney 12th Dec., General.—Butterfield & Swire.

GLAMORGANSHIRE, British steamer, 1,847, E. T. Jackson, 2nd Jan.,—Moji 28th December, General.—Dodwell, Carlill & Co.

FREJR, Danish steamer, 397, C. L. Strand, 2nd January,—Pakhoi 30th Dec., and Hoihow 1st Jan., General.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

ZAFIRO, British steamer, 675, A. W. R. Cobban, 2nd Jan.,—Manila 30th Dec., General.—Shewan & Co.

CROMARTY, British steamer, 1,864, W. S. Duncan, 2nd Jan.,—Sourabaya (Java), 22nd Dec., Sugar.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

EMPRESS OF CHINA, British steamer, 3,003, R. Archibald, R.N.R., 2nd Jan.,—Vancouver 10th Dec., Victoria 11th, Yokohama 26th, Kobe 27th, Nagasaki 29th, and Shanghai 31st, General.—C. P. R. Co.

DEPARTURES.

December 31, *Mandarin*, British steamer, for Singapore.
December 31, *Guthrie*, British str., for Kobe.
December 31, *Hailoong*, British steamer, for Swatow &c.
December 31, *Activ*, Danish str., for Hoihow.
December 31, *Kiel*, German str., for Saigon.
December 31, *Iser*, British str., for Shanghai.
December 31, *Kwongsang*, British steamer, for Wuhu.
December 31, *E-sang*, British str., for Shanghai.
December 31, *Toonan*, Chinese steamer, for Shanghai.
December 31, *Taiwan*, British steamer, for Shanghai.
December 31, *Ningpo*, German steamer, for Shanghai.
December 31, *Sachem*, American ship, for New York.
January 1, *Dona Bartola*, American schooner, for Yap.
January 1, *Siam*, British str., for Swatow.
January 1, *Chowfa*, British str., for Swatow, &c.
January 2, *Fushun*, Chinese str., for Canton.
January 2, *Ly-ee-moon*, German str., for Canton.
January 2, *Archer*, British cruiser, for Singapore.
January 2, *Canton*, British steamer, for Canton.
December 2, *St. Asaph*, British steamer, for Moji.

PASSENGERS—ARRIVED.

Per *Holstein*, from Saigon—159 Chinese.
Per *Ly-ee-moon*, from Shanghai.—Mr. and Mrs. G. Williams, Mr. J. Martin, and 44 Chinese.
Per *Singan*, from Wuhu.—15 Chinese.
Per *Ask*, from Haiphong.—41 Chinese.
Per *Bombay*, from London, &c.—Mr. R. H. Dunnell, and 307 Chinese.
Per *Canton*, from Shanghai,—Messrs. Burton, Allan, Stokes, and 103 Chinese.
Per *Wingsang*, from Calcutta, &c.—482 Chinese.
Per *Stura*, from Bombay, &c.—152 Chinese.
Per *Cheang Hock Kian*, from Penang, &c.—Mr. Brothers, and 547 Chinese.
Per *Glucksburg*, from Saigon.—23 Chinese.
Per *Fushun*, from Shanghai.—Mr. Hewett, and 123 Chinese.
Per *Esmeralda*, from Manila.—Dr. O. H. Simons, Messrs. Smith, Yip Tsz Lin and servant, 2 Europeans and 124 Chinese.
Per *Rohilla*, from Shanghai for Hongkong.—2 Chinese. For Singapore.—Mr. T. McArthur. For Penang.—Mr. H. Barlow. For Colombo.—Mr. Dharmapala.
Per *Chingtu*, from Sydney.—Mr. Babington, and 97 Chinese.
Per *Glamorganshire*, from Moji.—Mr. Harding, and 1 Chinese.
Per *Zafiro*, from Manila.—Mr. and Mrs. F. Alvarez, Mr. Earlam, and 70 Chinese.
Per *Verona*, from Yokohama for Hongkong.—Messrs. W. C. Henderson and J. Fernandes. From Kobe.—Prof. and Mrs. Selenka, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. R. Hill, Miss Lucy Hill, Mr. Tong Fee Tai and servant, and 4 Chinese. From Nagasaki.—Mr. and Mrs. Jinkan, Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Lindholm, Misses Lindholm (3), Mrs. Bondedorf, Messrs. Wing Chong, J. Kedn, J. Fuchikami, J. Usui, and 13 Japanese. From Yokohama for London.—Miss Yorke, and Mr. H. A. Foster. For Brindisi.—Messrs. H. W. Taylor and H. V. Taylor. From Kobe for Ismailia.—Mrs. van S. Ward, Messrs. W. G. Hibbard, W. G. Hibbard, junr, and V. F. S. Hibbard. From Nagasaki for Brindisi.—Mr. Wladimir Belobrodoff.
Per *Empress of China*, from Vancouver, &c.—Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Matthews, Mr. and Mrs. Pearson, Miss Pearson, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Knight, Mrs. and Miss Orr, Mrs. Garlic, Messrs. Speight, Stephenson, Pearce, C. H. Edwin, A. Lockard, Pemberton, E. B. Creasy, W. Pole Fletcher, Comte de Spangen, Comte H. de Hemolstein, Comte G. de Hemolstein, and 330 Chinese.

REPORTS.

The British steamship *Glamorganshire* reports that she left Moji on the 28th ultimo. Had light breeze and fine weather with northerly wind.

The Chinese steamship *Fushun* reports that she left Shanghai on the 29th ultimo. Had gentle northerly breeze with fine clear weather throughout.

The German steamship *Ly-ee-moon* reports that she left Shanghai on the 29th ultimo. Had light to fresh north-east monsoon and fine weather.

The British steamship *Cheang Hock Kian* reports that she left Penang on the 19th ultimo; and Singapore on the 24th; came through Palawan Passage and had fine weather all the way.

The British steamship *Singan* reports that she left Wuhu on the 27th ultimo, and Chinkiang on the 28th. Had fine weather throughout with light wind from north-north-east to north.

The British steamship *Taksang* reports that she left Sourabaya (Java), on the 22nd ultimo. Had calms and light winds to Cabra Island. Strong north-east monsoon and heavy sea to arrival.

The British steamship *Esmeralda* reports that she left Manila on the 29th ultimo. Had strong north-east monsoon with high sea to lat. 19 north; thence to port had fresh monsoon with moderate sea.

The British steamship *Wosang* reports that she left Moji (Japan), on the 27th instant. Had strong north-east winds and high sea with overcast weather from Japan to the China coast; thence had moderate monsoon and fine weather.

The British steamship *Zafiro* reports that she left Manila on the 30th ultimo. Had moderate north-north-east winds with north-north-east swell to Pratas Shoal; thence to port had moderate to light monsoon and fine weather.

The British steamship *Chingtu* reports that she left Sydney on the 12th ultimo. Had fine weather from Sydney to Cabra. From Cabra to Hongkong had strong north-east monsoon. Strong gale from north-east on the 31st, and heavy sea.

The British steamship *Canton* reports that she left Shanghai on the 27th ultimo, and Swatow on the 30th. Had fine north-north-east winds and sea with misty weather to Swatow; thence to Hongkong had moderate north winds and fine weather.

The British steamship *Cromarty* reports that she left Samarang on the 22nd ultimo at 5 p.m. Had moderate wind and fine weather to lat. 9° north and long. 121° 41 east. Strong north-east winds and high sea to near the land, when there was light wind and fine weather.

The British steamship *Bombay* reports that she left London on the 11th November, and Singapore on the 24th ultimo. Experienced moderate monsoon and fine weather with head sea to the Paracels; thence strong monsoon and cloudy weather, with considerable head sea; thence to arrival had light northerly winds and fine weather.

The British steamship *Wingsang* reports that she left Sand Head on the 14th ultimo; thence to Penang had light winds and fine weather; arrived at Penang on the 19th, and left on the 20th; thence to Singapore had light variable winds and rainy weather; arrived at Singapore on the 22nd, and left on the 23rd; thence to 15° north had fresh north-east winds and fine weather; thence to port had strong monsoon and head sea.

The British steamship *Empress of China* reports that she left Vancouver at 3.40 p.m. on the 11th ultimo, and Victoria on same date at 10.35 p.m. Had fresh to strong westerly to north-westerly winds. On the 14th experienced very heavy north-west gales; thence to Yokohama had moderate to strong variable winds; arrived at Yokohama at 8.11 a.m. on the December 25th; left again at 10.18 a.m. on the 26th, and arrived at Kobe at 9.10 a.m. on the 27th. Left at 10.13 p.m., and arrived at Nagasaki at 1.31 a.m. on the 29th. Left at 4.40 p.m. same date for Woosung; arrived there at 7.50 p.m. on the 30th, and left at 6.24 a.m. on the 31st. At Bonham Straits, passed the steamship *Polyphemus* bound north. On the 1st instant at 2 p.m. passed the steamship *Pechili* bound south. Experienced light breeze and fine clear weather along the coast; arrived here at 12 p.m. on the 2nd instant.

# Post Office.

A MAIL WILL CLOSE—

For Singapore and London.—Per *Dardanus* to-morrow, the 3rd instant, at 10.30 A.M.

For Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, and Tacoma.—Per *Mogul* to-morrow, the 3rd instant, at 12.30 P.M.

For Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, and San Francisco.—Per *Belgic* to-morrow, the 3rd instant, at 5 P.M.

## *SHIPPING IN HONGKONG*

STEAMERS.

AIRLIE, British steamer, 1,498, W. Ellis, 28th Dec.,—Kobe 21st Dec., and Moji 23rd, General.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.
ALWINE, German steamer, 400, C. Petersen, 24th Dec.,—Pakhoi 26th Dec., and Hoihow 23rd, General.—Wieler & Co.
AMIGO, German steamer, 771, T. Bendixen, 29th Dec.,—Bangkok 21st Dec., Rice.—Wieler & Co.
BELGIC, British steamer, 2,695, Wm. H. Walker, 25th Dec.,—San Francisco 30th Nov., and Yokohama 20th Dec, Mails and General.—O. & O. S. S. Co.
CHIYUEN, Chinese steamer, 1,211, C. R. Null, 25th Dec.,—Moji (Japan) 19th Dec., General.—C. M. S. N. Co.
DARDANUS, British steamer, 1,507, Purdy, 28th Dec.,—Moji 23rd Dec., General and Coal.—Butterfield & Swire.
DEUTEROS, German steamer, 1,192, W. A. Dinse, 25th Dec.,—Samarang 12th Dec., Sugar.—Siemssen & Co.
DEVAWONGSE, British steamer, 1,057, R. Curtis, 30th Dec.,—Bangkok 21st Dec., and Anghin 23rd, Wood and Rice.—Yuen Fat Hong.
FAME, British steamer, 117, Captain McIsaac, —Hongkong Government tender.
FOKIEN, British steamer, 508, W. Davis, 30th Dec.,—Tamsui 26th December, Amoy 28th, and Swatow 29th, General.—D. Lapraik & Co.
FORMOSA, British steamer, 680, T. Hall, 24th December,—Tamsui 21st Dec., Amoy 22nd, and Swatow 23rd, General.—D. Lapraik & Co.
MOGUL, British steamer, 1,827, T. Golding, 22nd Dec.,—Tacoma 23rd Nov., and Yokohama 13th Dec., Flour and General.—Dodwell, Carlill & Co.
PHRA CHULA CHOM KLAO, British steamer, 1,012, J. A. Morris, 30th Dec.,—Bangkok 21st Dec., and Anghin 23rd, General.—Yuen Fat Hong.
PICCIOLA, German steamer, 768, E. Hass, 22nd Dec.,—Saigon 15th Dec., Rice.—Melchers & Co.
POLLUX, German steamer, 898, J. Gefken, 26th Nov.,—Sourabaya 8th Nov., and Singapore 14th, Sugar and General.—Melchers & Co.
PROPONTIS, British steamer, 1,390, W. H. Farrand, 28th Dec.,—Singapore 19th Dec., General.—Chu Wo Lan.
PROGRESS, German steamer, 687, J. Jensen, 29th Dec.,—Moji 24th December, Coal.—Siemssen & Co.
RECORDER, British telegraph steamer, 676, R. A E. Brereton, 19th Dec.,—Hainan Bay 18th Dec., Telegraph Cable.—E. E. A. & C. Telegraph Co.
TOYO MARU, Japanese steamer, 1,500, J. G. Edwards, 28th Dec.,—Moji 23rd Dec., Matches and Coal.—Dodwell, Carlill & Co.
WUOTAN, German steamer, 1,015, A. Ott, 30th Dec.,—Tegal (Java), 18th Dec., Sugar.—Lauts, Wegener & Co.

SAILING VESSELS.

ALFRED HAWLEY, British bark, 412, W. Llewellyn, 15th Nov.,—Whampoa 15th November, Ballast.—Order.
BANGALORE, British bark, 1,100, Congdon, 4th Dec.,—New York 28th July, Rice.—Shewan & Co.
BASUTO, German bark, 348, H. Eggers, 14th Oct.,—Amoy 4th Oct., Sugar.—Wieler & Co.
BERLIN, American ship, 1,552, Whitmore, 21st Nov.,—New York 10th June, Kerosene Oil.—Order.
C. RODBERTUS, German bark, 567, Lewerenz, 27th Dec.,—Kutchinotzu 17th Dec., Coal.—Wieler & Co.
CLARA JACKSON, British schooner, 32, Charles Butchart, 3rd Dec.,—Sydney 21st March, General.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.
KITTY, British bark, 803, H. Wilson, 1st Dec.,—Whampoa 1st December, Ballast.—Captain.
LOTHAIR, Italian bark, 794, Juan B. Cafranga, 30th Nov.,—Callao 30th Oct., General.—D. Musso & Co.
MACMILLAN, British ship, 1,450, Robert Guthrie, 4th Dec.,—Cardiff 22nd July, Coals.—Government.
MARTHA BOCKHAHN, German ship, 726, Ed. Meincke, 11th Oct.,—Philadelphia 21st May, Petroleum.—Order.
MARY BLAIR, British bark, 328, Thos. Askin, 19th Dec.,—Albany, W.A., 27th October, Sandalwood.—Order.
NAM SHUN SING, Chinese 3-m. sch., 368, Lok Li Tong, 3rd August,—Saigon 24th August, Wood.—Yong Kee & Co.
SERRANO, American bark, 596, R. G. Waterhouse, 26th Dec.,—Macao 23rd Dec., General.—Order.
WM. J. ROTCH, American ship, 1664, S. Lancaster, 24th Nov.,—New York 23rd June, Petroleum.—Melchers & Co.

# Intimations.

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| *Tacoma* | Tuesday | February 27th. |
| *Mogul* | Tuesday | March 20th. |
| *Victoria* | Tuesday | April 10th. |

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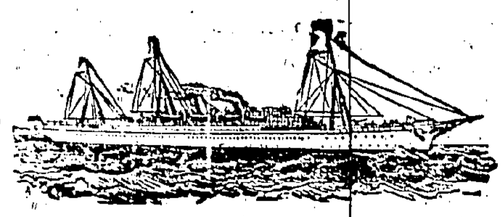
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